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ALLOCATION OF MANPOWER IN CZECECSLOVAKIA

TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES FROM FOOD INDUSTRY -- Rude Pravo, No 289, 11 Dec 48

At the Friday meeting of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Trade Union Movement and the Union of Food Employees, the workers appraised the provious results of their work in the production of foodstuffs in Bohemia and Moravia. Of the 65,200 workers now employed in this branch of nationalized production, 21,730 are officials. This undestrable situation is due to an excessive number of personnel in general management. The Union does not intend to endure this situation in silence and is simultaneously preparing a recognization of distribution and an adjustment of the proportions of productive and nonproductive forces. According to preliminary estimates, there are from 4,000 to 6,000 excess employees in the food industry, and it will be necessary to release them for other branches where there is a shortage of manpower. Furthermore, a part of the mills, sugar refineries, and distillaries will be closed to make suitable utilization of modernly equipped enterprises and to make full use of manpower, which is often not done in enterprises of low capacity.

There are 349 production committees in operation in the food and supply industry, which, however, in many factories are not showing any activity. In 263 factories, 492 suggestions for improvement have been offered, which represent a saving of almost 10 million crowns. The best work is being done in the kreaj of Olomono, Usti and Labem, Pardubice, Eradec Kralove, Prague, and Flacks. In concluding its business the Union adopted a resolution in which the workers agree to assure the increase of productive labor by the introduction of a system of rewards according to merit.

POLISH AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ARRIVE -- Rude Pravo, No 282, 3 Dec 48

Two hundred Polish agricultural workers arrived at Mlada Bolsslav on Thursday, and 210 will arrive in Zlutice Okres on Friday. The recruiting of agricultural workers in Poland is proceeding very well, and the majority

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of the workers will arrive in December. It may be expected that 1,000 Polish agricultural workers will arrive in our country by the end of January.

STUDENTS WORK IN AIRCRAFT PLANTS -- Rude Pravo, No 290, 12 Dec 48

The self-government of Masaryk College has offered the Aircraft Plants in Letnany to send each week a four-number labor brigade, which would perform all kinds of auxiliary work in the enterprise. This will make it possible for qualified workers, who have been performing auxiliary work up to now as a result of a manpower shortage, to move into productive positions.

CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL IN SLOVAKIA -- Rude Pravo, No 278, 28 How 48

More than 90,000 persons worked this year on construction projects in Blovakia. The Czechoslovak Construction Plants state enterprise employs about 60,000 persons.

TRITILE INDUSTRY HERLS YOUNG WORKERS -- Rude Pravo, No 271, 20 Nov 48

Our textile industry is suffering from a shortage of young workers. This is particularly noticeable in Machod Okres, where the majority of the elderly people are working. Some people work as long as their strength holds out. In spring of this year an 87-year-old weaver was working in one enterprise. The average age of textile workers in Machod Okres is 42 years for men and 39 for women. The textile industry is calling for new young workers.

CIRLS EMPLOYED IN CLOTHING INDUSTRY -- Rude Pravo, No 278, 28 Nov 48

The employees of Shop No 103 in the Clothing Industry state enterprise in Prostejov, consist of 60 young girls, who are mostly graduates of the enterprise boarding school. The shop completed its 2-year plan 8 October, and has a sinimum absenterism of only 0.21 percent. It has been honored with the name "Gottwald Shop" as a reward for increasing its output

HUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF SVIT -- Mlada Fronta, No 2, 4 Jun 49

The Swit formerly Bat's state enterprise in Gottwaldov now has approximately 38,500 workers, including 33,200 in the Elin factories and 5,300 in Otrokovice. These workers will be redistributed so that 26,500 will remain in Elin. The number of workers in Otrokovice will be increased to 7,500, and 4,500 workers will be transferred to the industrial machineshop unit near Malenovice. The total population of Gottwaldov is about 120,000.

SHIFT OF WORKERS TO PRODUCTION -- Rude Prave, No 276, 26 Nov 48

The Ministry of Scalal Welfars is releasing 85 employees (8 percent) from its jurisdiction for productive work, effective 1 December 1948. This was announced on 25 Hovember by Minister E. Erban, who also announced that the previous ratio of workers to efficials in our state is 1.8 to 1. Those workers who have already worked in production especially must be released.

The employees of the Ministry will be transferred to about ten Prague factories. Their previous salaries are to be continued.

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EMPLOYEES TRANSFERRED TO PRODUCTION -- Rude Prevo, No 284, 5 Dec 48

Following the example of the Central Mational Committee in Brno, the Central Mational Committee in Pilser has also released 163 persons for productive labor in industrial plants. Furthermore, 123 employees will be transferred from the management of the Czechoslovak State Railroads to production. The plan of restriction was unanimously accepted at a meeting of employees. Financial offices and the Mational Restoration Fund are also preparing restrictions.

TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES TO PRODUCTION -- Rude Pravo, No 285, 7 Dec 48

The Central Committee of the Union of Distribution Employees has prepared the transfer of 2,400 employees to production.

TRAFFER OF EMPLOYEES -- Rude Prevo, No 267, 16 Nov 48

Three hundred sixty employees of the postal service from Frague Eraj ville be transferred to production by the end of Movember.

EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN IN SLOVAKIA -- Sychodne Slovo, No 4, 6 Jan 48

The number of persons employed in Slovak industry as of 1 December 1948 amounted to 182,342, including 52,380 women. This represents an increase of 1,520 women workers in Slovak industry in comparison with Movember.

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